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Dear Parent/Carer,

## World Book Day 2021- Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March

We're facing an unusual World Book Day this year as we look towards celebrating the joy that books bring with the majority of children at home and not able to join us.

Unable to share our traditional assemblies and book sharing sessions across the school, this year we're running with the theme of bedtime stories! Reading at bedtime is a great moment to share with children, and indeed ourselves, at the end of any busy day, whether in lockdown or not. So why not celebrate it!

What's more, if you like dressing up for World Book Day, what better lockdown dressing-up outfit is there than your pyjamas?! Minimum effort required and cosy and warm too! Slippers, onesie, dressing gown, hot-water bottle.....do you get the picture?

Learning leaders will be talking to parents over the coming week via Google Classroom, phone, email and text message sharing plans for story-sharing during the school day. There will be many opportunities across the school and throughout the school day to share in stories online. Or if you prefer to snuggle up at home together with a favourite book you have our permission (if it was needed!) to enjoy a daytime bedtime story or two! I'm sure there'll also be other World Book Day activities that you can take part in as well.

The now traditional vouchers entitling you to a special World Book Day book or  $\pounds 1$  off a book of your choice is included with this letter as it is being issued electronically this year. If you wish to use this and have any difficulties please let us know as we'd be keen to help you.

So here comes Haytor View World Book Day, lockdown-style! We'd love you to send us pictures of you enjoying your favourite books on the day – they will make a great display to remind us of what we hope will be a unique, never-to-be-repeated World Book Day.

Yours sincerely,

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